

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

State of Texas

PAYMENTS FOR RESERVED BEDS DURING RECIPIENTS ABSENCE FROM AN
INSTITUTION

Subject to the qualifications, limitations and exclusions covering payments for medical and remedial care and services and elsewhere as provided in the State Plan, payment will only be made to eligible providers for reserving beds in Intermediate Care Facilities and Skilled Nursing Facilities for eligible recipients during temporary leaves of absence for therapeutic purposes not to exceed three days per leave of absence. Leaves must be authorized and documented by the recipients's attending physician as part of the recipients' total plan of care.

Subject to the qualifications, limitations and exclusions covering payments for medical and remedial care and services and elsewhere as provided in the State Plan, payment will only be made to eligible providers for reserving beds in Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded for eligible recipients during temporary leaves of absence for: (1) therapeutic purposes not to exceed three days per leave of absence and for (2) extended therapeutic purposes taken in increments of four or more days per absence not to exceed a total of ten days per resident per calendar year. One extended therapeutic leave may be combined with one therapeutic leave per calendar year. Leaves of absence must be authorized and documented by the recipient's Qualified Mental Retardation Professional (QMRP), if not contraindicated by the attending physician.

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